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TO THE MINERS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

RESIDENT FOR THE WINTER IN VICTORIA.

During the summer, your time was spent at the Mines: but now, stayed by the frosts and snows of Cariboo, you have come down to Victoria to pass the Winter.

To search for gold by mining is as honorable and useful an occupation as to seek it by commerce or agriculture: the more so in a land where these last depend so largely on the enterprise of the Miner.

Yet you will all admit that whatever be our occupation in life, there is beyond this world a treasure in the Heavens for which every wise man will labor. And that treasure has this great advantage,—*it will last forever*. Gold may "take to itself wings and fly away," but heavenly treasure is contained in "bags that wax not old."

In young and rising colonies, and especially in these gold countries, the first comers have to rely very much upon themselves: and anything like uncalled-for interference must fail, from whatever quarter it comes. Do not then think we wish to intrude upon you. Far from it: we are your brethren, with but one aim,—"because of the house of the Lord our God we seek to do you good," and earnestly call upon you to join with us in the service of God during your stay in Victoria.

The Clergyman who shared with you the hardships of the Mines, did so "without money and without price." At his own cost he lived among you. Neither he nor we desire anything from you, but that God's blessing may be with you; and that it may, we invite you to come regularly and prayerfully to Church, to remember the Lord's day to keep it holy, and at all times so to live as you will wish you had done, when called away to another world.

The hours for Divine Service are as follows:

AT CHRIST CHURCH.

SUNDAY—Morning Service at 11, A. M.
" Afternoon Service at 3, P. M.
" Evening Service at 6½, P. M.
WEDNESDAY—Evening Service at 7, P. M.

AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

SUNDAY—Morning Service at 11, A. M.
" Evening Service at 7, P. M.

E. CRIDGE, Rector of Christ Church.
R. J. DUNDAS, Rector of St. John's.